

## **REMARKS**

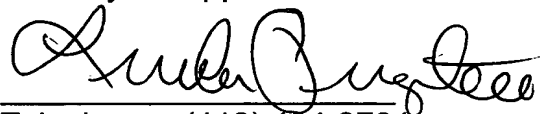
Applicants thank the Examiner for the courtesy of a telephone interview conducted on Thursday, June 23, 2005.

The Office Action of April 27, 2005, has been reviewed and the Examiner's comments from the Office Action and the interview have been carefully considered. Claims 3-11, 13-18, 51, and 56-59 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 2, 19-50, and 52-55 have been cancelled. Claim 12 was cancelled in an earlier amendment. New claims 57-59 have been added. The pending claims have been amended to place those reciting allowable subject matter as indicated by the Examiner into independent form, and to change dependencies of dependent claims as necessary.

The amendments to the claims are supported in original claims 1 and 2. No new matter has been added and Applicants submit that these amendments place all of the remaining claims in condition for allowance, based on reasons for allowability set forth by the Examiner in the Office Actions of November 3, 2004, and April 27, 2005. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested at an early date.

Respectfully submitted,

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